

NONPROVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): OPTICAL DEVICE WITH ENHANCED MECHANICAL STABILITY OPERATING IN
 THE EXTREME ULTRAVIOLET AND LITHOGRAPHY MASK COMPRISING SUCH A
 DEVICE

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- ☒ Formal drawings (Figs. 1-5; 3 sheets) are attached.
☐ Use Figure _____ for front page of Publication.
☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.
☐ This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No. _____ filed _____.
 (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)
☒ This patent application is assigned to Commissariat à l'Energie Atomique.
☐ The executed Assignment is filed herewith.
☒ An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.
☒ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.
☒ A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.
 Priority of foreign application No. 03 04071 filed April 1, 2003 in France is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).
☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.
☐ This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.
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INDEP CLAIMS	1 - 3	= 0
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SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEE
	\$ 385
x 9 =	\$
x 43 =	\$
+ 145 =	\$
TOTAL	\$

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x 18	\$
x 86	\$
+ 290	\$
TOTAL	\$ 770

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